PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) FY 2005 (Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4848))	
	Docket Number (Optional): NIP-241

Application Number: 09/940,924	**Filed**: August 29, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MANAGING CONSUMER GOODS USED IN AN ANALYZER

Art Unit: 3627	**Examiner**: L. Champagne

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):

	Fee	**Small Entity Fee**	
☒ One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))	$120	$60	$ 120.00
☐ Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))	$460	$225	$
☐ Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))	$1020	$510	$
☐ Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))	$1590	$795	$
☐ Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))	$2160	$1080	$

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.

☒ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

☐ The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.

☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 50-1417. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

I am the
☐ applicant/inventor.

☐ assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.

Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).

☒ attorney or agent of record. Registration Number 21,021

☐ attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34.

Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34 42,282.

Name (Print/Type)	Gene W. Stockman	*Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)*	**21,021**
Signature	Gene W. Stockman	*Date*: October 31, 2007	Telephone Number: (703) 684-1120

NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

☒ Total of one form is submitted.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option. 00000074 09940924

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